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CIA SALT SUPPORT STAFF

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1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF PRESS STATEMENT ISSUED BY NATO  
SPOKESMAN FOLLOWING SEPTEMBER 12 AMBASSADOR JOHNSON'S NAC  
CONSULTATIONS:  
2. BEGIN TEXT: A REGULAR CONSULTATION ON THE STRATEGIC  
ARMS LIMITATION TALKS, WHICH THE UNITED STATES AND THE  
SOVIET UNION ARE CONDUCTING IN GENEVA, WAS HELD TODAY BY  
THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL IN BRUSSELS. AMBASSADOR U.  
ALEXIS JOHNSON, HEAD OF THE U.S. SALT DELEGATION, PARTICI-  
PATED IN THIS CONSULTATION, WHICH WAS THE 26TH MEETING  
BETWEEN THE COUNCIL AND THE HEAD OF THE U.S. SALT DELEGA-  
TION OR HIS DEPUTY SINCE THE SALT NEGOTIATIONS BEGAN IN  
NOVEMBER 1969. OTHER MEMBERS OF THE U.S. DELEGATION  
ACCOMPANYING AMBASSADOR JOHNSON WERE MR. RALPH EARLE II  
AND MR. CHARLES HENKIN. AMBASSADOR JOHNSON BRIEFED THE  
COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTS IN THE SALT NEGOTIATIONS SINCE  
HIS LAST MEETING WITH THE COUNCIL ON MAY 7, 1975. MEMBERS  
OF THE COUNCIL AND AMBASSADOR JOHNSON THEN HAD A USEFUL  
EXCHANGE OF VIEWS REGARDING THE SALT NEGOTIATIONS,  
INCLUDING A DISCUSSION ON THE IMPLICATIONS OF THESE  
NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE ALLIANCE. THE MEMBERS OF THE  
ALLIANCE EXPRESSED THEIR CONTINUING INTEREST IN THE  
SALT NEGOTIATIONS, THEIR APPRECIATION FOR AMBASSADOR  
JOHNSON'S PRESENTATION, AND THEIR UNDERSTANDING THAT SUCH  
REGULAR CONSULTATIONS WILL BE CONTINUED. THE U.S.  
DELEGATION TO NATO WILL CONTINUE TO KEEP THE COUNCIL  
INFORMED ON ANY DEVELOPMENT OF PARTICULAR IMPORTANCE THAT  
MAY ARISE BETWEEN REGULAR CONSULTATIONS WITH THE U.S.  
SALT DELEGATION. END TEXT KISSINGER

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